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Mr. Brad Bradley United States Environmental Protection Agency Region 5 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, IL 60604-3590

> U. S. v. N.L. Industries, et al. No. 91-CV-00578-JLF

Dear Mr. Bradley:

In response to your recent correspondence, the information provided in the newspapers with regard to the City of Granite City's willingness to allow the U.S. E.P.A. to come onto its properties for remediation efforts is in error. The City Council met in late December, 1993, and regrettably denies your request.

It is the City of Granite City's view that it makes little sense to permit remediation activities in the surrounding areas until the matter involving the pile is resolved. The "Three City Study" with regard to the City of Baltimore showed that within a short time after remediation, that soil contamination occurred as a result of subsequent remediation activities. Even if the City of Granite City were to permit the U.S.E.P.A. to undertake remediation activities with regard to certain properties, we are concerned that a final solution involving the pile will create conditions that will result in contamination of the nearby soil.

If you have any different thoughts, do not hesitate to contact me or Mr. Craig Tarpoff.

Sincerely,

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